

PUBLIC NOTICE OF PROPOSED ACTION

The Administrator, Division of Environmental Protection, Carson City, Nevada is issuing the following notice of proposed action under the Nevada Revised Statutes and the Clean Water Act.

The Administrator has received a complete application to renew National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit NV0021121 from the following applicant:

Flamingo Hilton Hotel and Casino
P.O. Box 1291
Reno, Nevada 89503

The applicant discharges water from a sump in the basement garage of the Flamingo Hilton Hotel and Casino, 225 North Sierra Street, at a maximum rate of 44,000 gallons per day (gpd) and a maximum thirty-day average of 35,000 gpd. This discharge consists of groundwater, that is pumped to the City of Reno Sierra Street stormdrain that flows to the Truckee River. Monitoring will be required to ensure that the water in the Truckee River is not degraded by this discharge. The proposed permit will cover a five (5) year period.

On the basis of preliminary review of the requirements of the Nevada Revised Statutes and the Clean Water Act, as amended, and implementing regulations, the Administrator proposes to reissue the permit to discharge, subject to certain effluent limitations.

Persons wishing to comment upon or object to the proposed determinations by the Administrator regarding permit issuance or request a hearing pursuant to the Nevada Administrative Code, Water Pollution Control should submit their comments or request, in writing, within thirty (30) days either in person or by mail to:

Department of Conservation and Natural Resources
Division of Environmental Protection
Bureau of Water Pollution Control
333 West Nye Lane
Carson City, Nevada 89706-0851

All comments or objections received within thirty (30) days, by 5:00 P.M. August 20, 2001, will be considered in the formulation of final determination regarding the application. If written comments indicate a significant degree of public interest in the proposed permit, the Administrator shall hold a public hearing. A public notice of such hearing will be issued not less than thirty (30) days prior to the hearing date.

If no hearing is held and the determinations of the Administrator are substantially changed from the tentative determinations, the Administrator will give public notice of the revised determinations. Additional comments and objections will be considered at that time.

The application, proposed permit, comments received, and other information are on file and may be copied or copies may be obtained by writing to the above address or by calling Bruce Holmgren of the Bureau of Water Pollution Control at (775) 687-4670, extension 3153, or at bholmgre@govmail.state.nv.us.

Please bring the foregoing notice to the attention of all persons whom you know would be interested in this matter.